

In the Specification:

Please amend paragraph 0001 to read as follows:

61 **Cross-Reference to Related Applications:** This application is a continuation of U.S.S.N. 08/852,663, filed on May 7, 1997, now U.S. Patent 5,984,992.

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

3. **(Amended)** The granular fertilizer of claim 1, wherein said granular fertilizer has a size and shape useable in a fertilizer spreader.

4. **(Amended)** The granular fertilizer of claim 1, wherein said granular fertilizer has a size, a shape, and a density which is useable as a fertilizer.

62 5. **(Amended)** A granular fertilizer of relatively low analysis organic waste material having an enhanced plant nutrient value composition, said fertilizer produced by the process comprising:

mixing said relatively low analysis organic waste material with water to form a slurry capable of being pumped;

pumping said slurry to a pipe-cross reactor for reaction with a base, acid, and water to form a melt;

spraying said melt onto a recycling bed of fines in a granulator, and flashing off water contained in the melt as steam;

rolling said melt onto fine particles in the granulator to form said granular fertilizer;

drying said granular fertilizer to reduce the moisture content thereof to form dried granular fertilizer comprising an enhanced plant nutrient value composition; and

collecting fumes from the granulator containing steam, ammonia and particulate by maintaining a negative pressure inside the granulator by pulling the fumes through a venturi scrubber having a venturi throat with water with a pH of 2-3 as scrubber water sprayed into the venturi throat.

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6. **(Amended)** The granular fertilizer of claim 5, wherein the pH of the scrubber water is kept at 2-3 by incorporating spent acid from a hot dip galvanizing process into the scrubber water.

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9. **(Amended)** The granular fertilizer of claim 6, wherein the pH of the scrubber water is kept at 2-3 by incorporating spent acid from a hot dip galvanizing process into the scrubber water.

12. **(Amended)** The granular fertilizer of claim 5, wherein said granular fertilizer has a size and shape useable in a fertilizer spreader.

13. **(Amended)** The granular fertilizer of claim 5, wherein said granular fertilizer has a size, a shape, and a density which is useable as a fertilizer.

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14. **(Amended)** A process of treating relatively low analysis organic waste material, comprising treating the relatively low analysis organic waste material with exothermically reacting acid and base to enhance the relatively low analysis organic waste material's plant nutrient value, further comprising conducting said treatment in a pipe-cross reactor.

15. **(Amended)** The process of claim 14, wherein the pipe-cross reactor feeds into a granulator.